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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT)

STATE FOR NEA/ARN, P. BULLEN

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TAGS: EAID, SY

SUBJECT: PL 480 TITLE I WHEAT TENDER

1. SYRIAN CEREALS OFFICE (OGCM) HAS PROVIDED US WITH TEXT SET FORTH BELOW OF TELEX SENT TO USDA MAY 14. WE ATTEMPTING CONTACT OGCM TODAY BUT MAY HAVE TO WAIT OOB MAY 15 AS OGCM NOW CLOSED. WE PLAN TO POINT OUT TO OGCM THAT PL 480 AND USDA PROCEDURE IS FOR BUYER TO MAKE AWARD, SELLER TO REGISTER CONTRACT WITH USDA AND THEN USDA APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL GIVEN ON SALE. WE SUSPECT OGCM HAS ASKED FOR APPROVAL NOW GIVEN PROBLEMS ON PREVIOUS WHEAT TENDER AND PENNSYLVANIA MINING COMPANY. UNTIL WE REACH OGCM, WE CANNOT BE SURE THAT OGCM HAS NOT ALREADY MADE AWARDS AND SELLERS ARE ALREADY REGISTERING SALES WITH USDA. IF SALES ARE BEING REGISTERED FOR APPROVAL, WE STRONGLY URGE RAPID USDA ACTION AS OGCM VERY CONCERNED RE MEETING PL 480 AGREE-MENT FAS DELIVERY DEADLINE JUNE 30.

2. IF SALES NOT YET REGISTERED, WE WOULD HOPE USDA COULD GIVE OGCM (THROUGH EMBASSY) SOME POSITIVE RESPONSE, E.G., NAMED COMPANIES ARE ALREADY ON USDA ELIGIBILITY LIST, PRICES APPEAR PROPER, ETC., AND APPROVAL EXPECTED ONCE SALES CONTRACTS ARE REGISTERED.

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REQUEST IMMEDIATE REPLY.

3. TEXT OF OGCM TELEX FOLLOWS:

"PLEASE LET US HAVE YOUR APPROVAL FOR PURCHASING
FROM THE FOLLOWING COMPANIES:

"(1) GARNAC GRAIN COMPANY: QUANTITY OFFERED BY IT
25,000 TONS FIVE PCT MORE/LESS ONLY AT \$129.90 PER TON.
IT IS THE WHOLE QUANTITY OFFERED BY IT.

"(2) TOYOMENKA (AMERICA) INC.: QUANTITY OFFERED BY
IT 25,000 TONS MORE/LESS FIVE PCT ONLY AT \$131.50 PER TON.
IT IS THE WHOLE QUANTITY OFFERED BY IT.

"(3) LOU S DREYFUS CORP: QUANTITY OFFERED 25,000
TONS AT FIVE PCT MORE/LESS. OUT OF THE QUANTITY OFFERED BY
IT (75,000) TONS AT \$132.64.

"PLEASE ADVISE US OF YOUR APPROVAL FOR GIVING
CONFIRMATION TO THREE AFORESAID COMPANIES OR TO ANY ONE
OF THEM. PLEASE ANSWER TODAY SYRIA LOCAL TIME.

"ORGANISME CEREALES
DIRECTOR GENERAL
NADIM IBRAHIM
DAMASCUS 14/5/1975
TLX NO. 7495/S/1030/4/1"

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